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For: IMAGE CODING APPARATUS, IMAGE  
DECODING APPARATUS, RECORDING  
MEDIUM AND IMAGE RECORDING  
APPARATUS

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 21, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.